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1. "A worker in Bulgaria pays today (obszt dohod) an income tax amounting to five per cent of his actual earnings.
2. "In addition, there is a bachelor's tax (ergenski danak) amounting to five to seven per cent of actual earnings. This tax is paid by both men and women after they reach their 21st birthday. When a person marries no tax is levied for a period of one year. If during that first year a child is born both parents start paying the tax again, but only at five per cent; if there is no child the tax is seven per cent, which is what single persons pay. If a couple has three children, the tax is no longer levied.
3. "No extra receipt is given by cashiers for either the income or the bachelor's tax. Cashiers are supposed to deduct these taxes from workers' paychecks.
4. "Another general tax is the tax of 'work obligations' (trudova povinnost danak) amounting to 0.25% of earnings. Original translation has 0/25%. This tax is paid in money by urban people. Rural people work instead for ten days a month at public works. Factory cashiers deduct this tax also.
5. "Besides State taxes, the worker in Bulgaria pays ORPS [union] dues - one per cent of his earnings - and the dues for other organizations to which he belongs. Further he must subscribe to various papers and periodicals. It is obligatory to subscribe to TRUD (5 lev per month). Workers who belong to various Communist organizations also must subscribe to the papers published by those organizations."

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